

bill be advanced.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any discussion on the motion to advance LB 327? If not, the question is, shall the bill be advanced? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 327 is advanced. Anything else on General File, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Nothing further, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Additional motions, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Hannibal would move to withdraw LB 662.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Does that deserve a response, Senator Hannibal?

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Well, Mr. Speaker and members, I just saw the writing on the wall and because of the unluckiness that I had to have LB 662, which was by the way a very meritorious piece of legislation that unfortunately has a small amount of controversy attached to it, and I realize that in the interest of time, in the interest of the problem established with the number that it was given, that it had absolutely no hope of passage. So, that was one of the reasons why I decided to introduce this motion to withdraw the bill. The other reason was that we have been seeking, for quite some time, an Attorney General's Opinion on whether the bill was necessary. We started that search actually back in September, and our search was futile because of some policy decisions that we have by the Attorney General's Office that says that we cannot ask for Attorney General's Opinions, as senators, unless there is pending legislation. Well, this was having to do with an interpretation of federal guidelines, and where federal agencies involved needed in order to enable a federal savings and loan to do interstate commerce, if you will, we needed an Attorney General's Opinion from our Attorney General, and in this case an Attorney General's Opinion from Iowa, to be able to say, yes, we see no problem with this issue, and we were unable to get this. I was quite surprised to find that I could not ask for the Attorney General's Opinion when it